

REMARKS

This is in response to the official action dated September 22, 2006. Reconsideration in view of the following is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8 and 9 stand rejected in view of Clough. The examiner indicated allowability of claims 4, 7 and 10. Claim 1 is amended to substantially incorporate the limitations of claim 7 and its intervening claims. Claims 2, 3 and 5-8 are canceled. Accordingly, claim 1 and claims dependent thereon are not anticipated by Clough.

Claims 1-10 stand rejected under 35 USC 112. The claims have been substantially amended to address the examiner's specific objections, and to render the claims according to U.S. practice. No new matter is added.

Wherefore, allowance of all claims is earnestly solicited.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

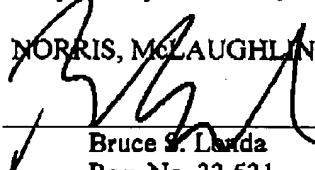
If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicant respectfully requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-126

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

Respectfully submitted,

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